# REPORT OF FINANCIAL EXAMINATION

# **GMAC DIRECT INSURANCE COMPANY**

As Of December 31, 2003



STATE OF MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

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Honorable Kevin M. McCarty, Commissioner Office of Insurance Regulation Florida Department of Insurance Chairman, Financial Condition (E) Committee, NAIC

Honorable Jorge Gomez, Commissioner Office of the Commissioner of Insurance State of Wisconsin Secretary, Midwestern Zone, NAIC

Honorable W. Dale Finke, Director Missouri Department of Insurance 301 West High Street, Room 530 Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with your financial examination warrant, a full scope financial examination has been made of the records, affairs and financial condition of

# **GMAC Direct Insurance Company**

also referred to as the "Company." The Company's administrative office is at 13736 Riverport Drive, Suite 700, Maryland Heights, MO 63043, telephone number (314) 493-8000. This examination began on June 14, 2004, and concluded on February 22, 2005.

#### SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

### Period Covered

The prior full scope association financial examination of GMAC Direct Insurance Company was as of December 31, 2000, and was conducted by examiners from the state of Missouri, representing the Midwestern Zone of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC).

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The current full scope association financial examination covers the period from January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2003, and was conducted by examiners from the state of Missouri representing the Midwestern Zone of the NAIC with no other zones participating. Reserves and related actuarial items were reviewed by Jon W. Michelson, FCAS, MAAA, of the firm, Expert Actuarial Services, LLC, pursuant to a contract with the Missouri Department of Insurance.

This examination also included material transactions and/or events occurring after December 31, 2003.

### Procedures

This examination was conducted using the guidelines set forth in the Financial Condition Examiners Handbook of the NAIC, except where practices, procedures and applicable regulations of the Missouri Department of Insurance and statutes of the state of Missouri prevailed.

The work papers of the Company's independent auditors Deloitte and Touche, LLP for 2003 were made available to the examiners. Standard examination procedures were modified as deemed appropriate under the circumstances.

### Comments – Previous Examination

The comments and recommendations of the previous examination report dated December 31, 2000, are listed below with the subsequent response or action taken by the Company concerning such comments, recommendations and notes.

# 1. Comment: Conflict of Interest

It is again recommended that the Company annually obtain Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements from all directors, officers and key employees. Statements should be obtained from directors, officers and key employees whose primary position is with affiliates. The statements should be retained on file at the Company and be available for review by the Department of Insurance during the financial examination.

# Company's Response:

In the first quarter of 2002 we obtained conflict of interest statements from all directors, officers and key employees of the Company and will maintain the statements on file for review by the department.

# **Current Findings:**

We obtained conflict of interest statements for all officers and directors with no conflicts noted.

### **2. Comment:** Quarterly Meetings of the Board of Directors

It is again recommended that the board of directors have four quarterly meetings per year as required in Article VI, Section 5 of the Company's Bylaws.

### **Company Response:**

The Company responded by letter on March 21, 2002, that the Company is now holding quarterly directors meetings.

# **Current Findings:**

Board meetings appear to be held regularly.

# **HISTORY**

# General

The Company was incorporated in the state of Missouri on August 18, 2000, and received a certificate of authority dated September 27, 2000, from the state of Missouri to operate as a stock property and casualty insurance company under Chapter 379 RSMo (Insurance Other Than Life).

The Company is wholly owned by Motors Insurance Corporation, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of GMAC Insurance Holdings, Inc., which is a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corporation, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Corporation.

## Capital Stock

The Company is authorized to issue 20,000 shares of common stock at a par value of \$200 per share. There were 20,000 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2003, resulting in a common capital stock account of \$4,000,000.

# <u>Dividends</u>

The Company has never paid any dividends.

# Management

The Board of Directors consists of nine members duly elected at an annual meeting of the stockholder as authorized by the Company's Articles of Incorporation. The directors duly elected and serving as of December 31, 2003, were as follows:

Name and Address
John C. Beattie
Winston-Salem, NC

Business Affiliation
Vice President

Bernard J. Buselmeier Wildwood, MO Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

Daniel J. Evangelista, Jr. Vice President

Twinsberg, OH

Gerald D. Filler Vice President and Chief Information

Hudson, OH Officer

Gary Y. Kusumi Chairman, President and Chief Executive

Town and Country, MO Officer

Daniel C. Pickens Vice President and Chief Actuary Winston-Salem, NC

Sheena E. Poe Vice President and Secretary Clemmons, NC

John Urankar Vice President, Chief Claims, Policy

Wildwood, MO Services and Sales Officer

Mitchell F. White Vice President and Chief Marketing

Atlanta, GA Officer

The officers elected and serving as of December 31, 2003, were as follows:

Name Office

Gary Y. Kusumi President and Chief Executive Officer

John C. Beattie Vice President

Donald J. Bolar Treasurer and Chief Accounting Officer

<u>Name</u> <u>Office</u>

Bernard J. Buselmeier Executive Vice President, Finance and

Chief Financial Officer

Gerald D. Filler Vice President and Chief Information

Officer

George H. Hall, Jr. Vice President

Daniel C. Pickens Vice President and Chief Actuary

Sheena E. Poe Vice President and Secretary

Daniel J. Evangelista, Jr. Vice President

Verne E. Purvines Vice President, Legan Counsel and

**Assistant Secretary** 

Thomas W. Stuertz Vice President

John Urankar Vice President, Chief Claims, Policy

Services and Sales Officer

Mitchell F. White Vice President and Chief Marketing

Officer

Under the bylaws, the Board of Directors, by resolution, may provide for standing or special committees. Members elected and serving on the Finance Committee are as follows:

William F. Muir, Chairman Michael E. Klehm Eric A. Feldstein William B. Noll

B. Jack Miller Sanjiv Khattri (effective 3/1/04)

### Conflict of Interest

The Company and its affiliates have a policy under which directors, officers and key employees are required annually to execute Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements. A review of the disclosure statements on file for 2001 through 2003 disclosed no significant conflicts of interest.

### Corporate Records

A review was made of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Company. Neither the articles of incorporation nor the bylaws were amended during the period being examined.

The minutes of the meetings of the stockholder, board of directors and finance committee were also reviewed for the period under examination. The minutes appeared to properly document and approve applicable corporate events and transactions. The board of directors reviewed and approved the examination report as of December 31, 2000, on May 8, 2002.

### Acquisitions, Mergers and Major Corporate Events

GMAC Insurance Company Online, Inc., an affiliate, commenced business on January 18, 2001.

# Surplus Debentures

None.

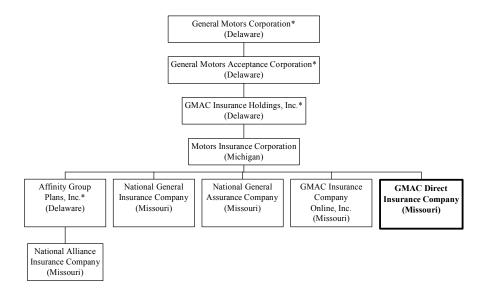
#### AFFILIATED COMPANIES

### Holding Company, Subsidiaries and Affiliates

The Company is a member of an Insurance Holding Company System as defined by Section 382.010 RSMo (Definitions). The ultimate controlling person is General Motors Corporation, a publicly traded corporation listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

# Organizational Chart

The following organizational chart depicts the Insurance Holding Company System as of December 31, 2003. The chart includes only the Missouri domiciled insurers, including the Company, and its parent. A complete organizational chart is included in the Company's annual statement. All subsidiaries are wholly owned and non-insurance entities are identified with an asterisk.



# **Intercompany Transactions**

During the period under examination the Company was party to the following intercompany agreements:

1. Type: Federal Income Tax Allocation Agreement

Parties: Motors Insurance Corporation and various subsidiaries including National

General Assurance Company, National General Insurance Company, GMAC

Direct Insurance Company and GMAC Insurance Company Online, Inc.

Effective: January 1, 2002

Terms: Motors Insurance Corporation shall stand in the place of the IRS for all

purposes.

Rate(s): The subsidiary will pay to Motors Insurance Corporation the separate

subsidiary tax liability as determined by the hypothetical federal income tax return for the subsidiary. No less than 15 business days prior to the date on which Motors Insurance Corporation is required to make estimated tax payments on behalf of the group, subsidiaries shall submit to Motors Insurance Corporation or its designee a calculation of the separate subsidiary estimated taxes, determined on the basis of the estimated separate subsidiary tax liability. Within ninety days following the filing of the GM Group consolidated federal income tax return, Motors Insurance Corporation shall notify the subsidiary of the amount of the separate subsidiary tax liability and within fifteen days after such notification subsidiary shall pay to Motors Insurance Corporation or Motors Insurance Corporation shall pay to subsidiary the difference between the separate subsidiary tax liability and the

estimated tax payments previously made by subsidiary.

**2. Type:** Services and Facilities Agreement

Parties: GMAC Insurance Holdings, Inc. and subsidiaries including National General

Insurance Company, National General Assurance Company, GMAC

Insurance Company Online, Inc. and GMAC Direct Insurance Company.

Effective: April 19, 1998 with addendums number 1, January 1, 1999, number 2,

September 1, 2000 (to add companies to the agreement) and number 3, June 22, 2002 to add National Alliance Insurance Company and Affinity Group

Plans Inc. There were no changes to the agreement.

**Terms:** To the extent available, each party agrees to furnish, upon request of the

others, such qualified personnel, supplies, equipment, services and facilities reasonably and necessarily required to conduct such functions as the recipient party is authorized by law to perform. The services include, but are not limited to, the performance of various administrative, marketing, actuarial, financial, tax, investment, data processing, claims and underwriting function. If investment services are provided to any insurance company, all

investments shall be made in accordance with the investment laws of the state

in which the insurance company is domiciled.

The laws of the state of New York shall govern the terms of the agreement to the extent that the party is providing services to a New York domiciled insurance company or by the laws of the state of North Carolina to the extent that any party is providing services to a North Carolina domiciled insurance

company.

Each supplying party shall render a quarterly statement. The original agreement stated that there would be monthly statements. Addendum number 1 changed monthly statements to quarterly statements.

Disputes shall be submitted to arbitration.

Rate(s):

disapproved.

The sole consideration for the personnel, supplies, equipment and facilities shall be the actual cost, unless a schedule of charges and fees negotiated on an arm's length basis is mutually agreed upon. Such charges shall be allocated to the recipient party, on a cost basis, in conformity with customary accounting principles consistently applied and Regulation 30 of the New York Insurance Department.

**3.** Type: Investment Management Agreement

Parties: General Motors Investment Management Corporation and Motors Insurance

Corporation

**Effective:** January 1, 1993 amended November 21, 1997 to be effective January 1,

1993, with addendums adding the various subsidiaries including National General Insurance Company, National General Assurance Company, GMAC Direct Insurance Company and GMAC Insurance Company Online, Inc.

Terms: General Motors Investment Management Corporation manages the

Company's cash and securities in accordance with investment guidelines

established by the Company.

Rate(s): Motors Insurance Corporation shall reimburse General Motors Investment

Management Corporation semi-annually for the costs and expenses incurred by General Motors Investment Management Corporation with the amount of such reimbursement complying with the requirements of Regulation 30 of the

New York Insurance Department.

These agreements were all filed with the Missouri Department of Insurance and were not

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#### FIDELITY BOND AND OTHER INSURANCE

The Company is insured under a crime policy purchased by General Motors Corporation, the ultimate parent in the holding company system. This policy provides fidelity coverage with a limit of \$300,000,000 with a deductible of \$25,000,000. General Motors Corporation has decided to self-insure the amount of the deductible. All self-insurance payments made will be treated the same as any other overhead item and allocated accordingly. It appears that the Company had adequate fidelity bond coverage.

The Company also has the following types of insurance protection: property, general liability, insurance operations errors and omissions coverage, directors and officers liability and workers' compensation. It appears that General Motors Corporation has adequate coverage for protection of its assets and those of its subsidiaries.

### PENSION, STOCK OWNERSHIP AND INSURANCE PLANS

The Company has no employees. Employees of GMAC Insurance Holdings, Inc. or other affiliates provide services under the Services and Facilities Agreement.

GMAC Insurance Holdings, Inc. provides its employees benefits typical of the industry including medical, dental and vision insurance, group term life insurance, long and short term disability benefits, retirement savings plan (401K), pension plan and paid holidays, vacation and sick leave

### STATUTORY DEPOSITS

# Deposits with the State of Missouri

The funds on deposit with the Missouri Department of Insurance as of December 31, 2003, as reflected below, were deemed sufficient in par and market value to meet the deposit

requirement for the State of Missouri in accordance with Section 379.098(1) RSMo (Securities Deposits).

| TYPE OF            | PAR         | MARKET      | STATEMENT   |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| SECURITY           | VALUE       | VALUE       | VALUE       |
| U.S. Treasury Note | \$2,600,000 | \$2,617,888 | \$2,598,140 |

# Deposits with Other States

The Company also has funds on deposit with various other states. Those funds on deposit as of December 31, 2003, were as follows:

|                | <b>TYPE OF</b>     |          | PAR       | N  | <b>IARKET</b> | $\mathbf{S}^{\gamma}$ | <b>FATEMENT</b> |
|----------------|--------------------|----------|-----------|----|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>STATE</b>   | <b>SECURITY</b>    | <u> </u> | ALUE      |    | <u>VALUE</u>  |                       | <u>VALUE</u>    |
| Arkansas       | U.S. Treasury Note | \$       | 100,000   | \$ | 106,000       | \$                    | 100,598         |
| Louisiana      | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 20,000    |    | 21,200        |                       | 20,120          |
| Nevada         | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 200,000   |    | 201,376       |                       | 199,857         |
| New Mexico     | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 300,000   |    | 318,000       |                       | 301,794         |
| North Carolina | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 400,000   |    | 424,000       |                       | 402,391         |
| Oklahoma       | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 300,000   |    | 302,064       |                       | 299,785         |
| South Carolina | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 150,000   |    | 151,032       |                       | 149,893         |
| Virginia       | U.S. Treasury Note |          | 500,000   |    | 530,000       |                       | 502,989         |
|                | Total              | \$       | 1,970,000 | \$ | 2,053,672     | \$                    | 1,977,427       |

# INSURANCE PRODUCTS AND RELATED PRACTICES

# **Territory and Plan of Operations**

The Company is licensed in Missouri under Chapter 379 RSMo, (Insurance other than life) to write property, liability and miscellaneous insurance. The company is also licensed in the District of Columbia and all other states except California, Georgia, Idaho, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and Rhode Island.

The Company uses the Internet as the sole means of distribution. The primary source of business comes from Internet sites including sites of affiliates such as General Motors Corporation and General Motors Acceptance Corporation. The business is concentrated in the mature risk, recreational vehicle, multi-car segment of the market.

### Policy Forms & Underwriting; Advertising & Sales Materials and Treatment of Policyholders

The Missouri Department of Insurance has a market conduct staff that performs a review of these issues and generates a separate market conduct report. While the Missouri Department of Insurance has not performed a market conduct examination of the Company, the Missouri Department of Insurance issued a market conduct examination report for the Company 's affiliate National General Insurance Company, as of December 31, 2001.

The Company has a complaint system in place and appears to handle complaints in a timely manner.

### REINSURANCE

The Company's premiums on a direct written and ceded basis for the current examination period were as follows:

|                   | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Direct Business   | \$1,162,837 | \$470,589   |
| Reinsurance Ceded | (1,162,837) | (470,589)   |
| Net Premiums      | <u>\$0</u>  | <u>\$0</u>  |

There was no business in 2001.

### Assumed

The Company assumes no reinsurance.

### Ceded

The Company cedes 100% of its net retention to its parent company, Motors Insurance Corporation. This accounts for 99.91% of the Company's ceded premium. Along with the premium the Company cedes all insurance related liabilities. The Company is party to various other reinsurance agreements, but very little business is ceded under those agreements.

We reviewed all of the Company's reinsurance agreements and they all appear to have the required clauses and safeguards.

#### ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

The Company's financial statements are audited annually by Deloitte & Touche, LLP. We reviewed the 2003 Deloitte & Touche, LLP audit work papers and financial reports. These work papers and reports were used in the course of this examination as deemed appropriate.

The Information Systems Examination Specialist with the Missouri Department of Insurance completed an electronic data processing controls audit and concluded that systems controls appear reasonable.

Reserves and related actuarial items are reviewed and certified by Dan Pickens, FCAS, MAAA, Vice President of GMAC Direct Insurance Company. Consulting actuary, Jon W. Michelson, FCAS, MAAA, of Expert Actuarial Services, LLC, was retained by the Missouri Department of Insurance to review the adequacy of losses and other related liabilities.

The Company is in violation of 20 CSR 200-4.010 (Books, Records, Accounts and Vouchers), both paragraph (3) "Location of Files," which states, "All financial books, records and accounts necessary for the annual statement of a Missouri insurer must be kept in a central location" and paragraph (4) "Time Limits," which states, "The insurer shall provide, within five (5) working days, any record requested by any duly appointed financial examiner..."

The General Motors holding company system is decentralized. Financial records are kept in various locations, and because of this it was difficult to obtain detailed documentation. Many requests took well over five working days. The examination-planning questionnaire, which was given to the Company in June 2004, was received on January 20, 2005.

## **SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

There were no material subsequent events.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following financial statements, with supporting exhibits, present the financial condition of the Company as of December 31, 2003, and the results of operations for the year then ended. Any examination adjustments to the amounts reported in the annual statement and/or comments regarding such are made in the "Notes to the Financial Statements" which follow the financial statements. (The failure of any column of numbers to add to its respective total is due to rounding or truncation.)

There may have been additional differences found in the course of this examination, which are not shown in the "Notes to the Financial Statements." These differences were determined to be immaterial concerning their effect on the financial statements, and therefore were only noted in the work papers for each individual annual statement item.

# **ASSETS**

|  |                     | NON-               | NET                 |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|  | ASSETS              | ADMITTED<br>ASSETS | ADMITTED<br>ASSETS  |
|  |                     |                    |                     |
| Bonds  | \$ 6,759,307        |                    | \$ 6,759,307        |
| Cash and short-term investments                      | 1,722,296           |                    | 1,722,296           |
| Investment income due and accrued                    | 46,491              |                    | 46,491              |
| Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in course  |                     |                    |                     |
| of collection  | 110,200             |                    | 110,200             |
| Deferred premiums, agents' balances and installments |                     |                    |                     |
| booked but deferred                                  | 86,034              |                    | 86,034              |
| Amounts recoverable from reinsurers                  | 180,565             |                    | 180,565             |
| Current federal and foreign income tax recoverable   | 40,584              |                    | 40,584              |
| Income due and accrued                               | 3,584               | 3,584              |                     |
| Total  | <u>\$ 8,949,061</u> | <u>\$ 3,584</u>    | <u>\$ 8,945,477</u> |

# LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

| Net deferred tax liability                     | \$ | 1,941     |
|--|----|-----------|
| Ceded reinsurance premiums payable             | *  | 390,827   |
| Payable to parent, subsidiaries and affiliates |    | 9,759     |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                       | \$ | 402,527   |
| Common capital stock                           |    | 4,000,000 |
| Gross paid in and contributed surplus          |    | 4,000,000 |
| Unassigned funds (surplus)                     |    | 542,952   |
| Total Surplus                                  | \$ | 8,542,952 |
| Total Liabilities, Capital and Surplus         | \$ | 8,945,479 |

### STATEMENT OF INCOME

# **INVESTMENT INCOME**

| Net investment income earned Net realized capital gains/(losses)   | \$        | 180,334<br>(32,880) |
|--|-----------|---------------------|
| Net investment gain or (loss)  |           | 147,454             |
| Net income before dividends to policyholders and federal & foreign taxes Federal and foreign income taxes incurred |           | 147,454<br>49,960   |
| Net income   | <u>\$</u> | 97,494              |

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

None.

### **EXAMINATION CHANGES**

None.

## GENERAL COMMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

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The Company is in violation of 20 CSR 200-4.010 (Books, Records, Accounts and Vouchers), both paragraph (3) "Location of Files," which states, "All financial books, records and accounts necessary for the annual statement of a Missouri insurer must be kept in a central location" and paragraph (4) "Time Limits," which states, "The insurer shall provide, within five (5) working days, any record requested by any duly appointed financial examiner..."

The General Motors holding company system is decentralized. Financial records are kept in various locations, and because of this it was difficult to locate detailed documentation. Many requests took well over five working days.

We direct the Company to centralize its financial records or maintain an adequate audit trail that would expedite the response to financial information requests. This could significantly reduce the costs of future financial examinations.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The assistance and cooperation extended by various employees of GMAC Direct Insurance Company during the course of this examination are hereby acknowledged and appreciated. In addition to the undersigned, James M. Simmerman, CFE, Karen J. Milster, CPA, CFE, and Andrew T. Balas, AES, CFE, CPA, examiners for the Missouri Department of Insurance participated in this examination.

|                   |      | VERIFICATION |
|-------------------|------|--------------|
| State of Missouri | )    |              |
|                   | ) ss |              |
| County of Cole    | )    |              |

I, Christiana Dugopolski, on my oath swear that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above examination report is true and accurate and is comprised of only facts appearing upon the books, records or other documents of the Company, its agents or other persons examined or as ascertained from the testimony of its officers or agents or other persons examined concerning its affairs and such conclusions and recommendations as the examiner finds reasonably warranted from the facts.

Christiana Dugopolski, CPA, CFE

Examiner-in-Charge

Missouri Department of Insurance

Midwestern Zone, NAIC

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15 day of April , 2005.

My commission expires:

February 3, 2009

CASSANDRA GREWING
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri - County of Callaway
My Commission Expires Feb. 3, 2009
Commission #05662742

Notary Public

**SUPERVISION** 

The examination process has been monitored and supervised by the undersigned. The examination report and supporting work papers have been reviewed and approved. Compliance with NAIC procedures and guidelines as contained in the Financial Condition Examiners Handbook has been confirmed.

J. Douglas Conley, CFP, FLMI, CIE, AIAF, ARe

Audit Manager - St. Louis

Missouri Department of Insurance

Midwestern Zone, NAIC

# **GMAC** Insurance

Verne E. Purvines Vice President, Legal Counsel

April 27, 2005

The Honorable W. Dale Finke Director Missouri Department of Insurance 301 West High Street, Room 530 Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Attn: Kirk Schmidt, CFE, CPA

Chief Financial Examiner

Re: GMAC Direct Insurance Company

Report of Financial Examination

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

The captioned Report of Financial Examination, in the General comments and/or Recommendations section, recommends that GMAC Direct Insurance Company (the Company) centralize its financial records to expedite the response to financial information requests.

The Company's records are maintained in certain strategic locations to efficiently and effectively support the Company's business from an operational perspective by being readily available to management of the operating departments as needed.

Please let us know if you have any questions or require anything further in connection with this examination.

Sincerely,

Verne E. Purvines

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